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The statement of the condition of the treasury issued on the 2d showed: Available cash balance, \$292,456,767; gold reserve, \$218,983,790.

The house committee on insular af fairs, on the 1st, favorably reported the senate bill giving Cuban vesse's the most favored nation rights in American ports.

h dispatch from Shanghai, on the 31at, said: "Emperor Hwangsu continces to issue edicts in his own name. Nanking and Wu Chang officials conmider that his immediate retirement is improbable,"

The house post office committee has agreed on the Loud bill relating to second class mail matter, except as to sections two and three, relating to sample copies, which are still under consideration.

In the Royal Albert hall, London, on the 30th, 10,000 persons protested against the use of the mass and confessional in the established church Several persons of distinction addressed the meeting.

The London Gazette signifies that it is the queen's intention to confer the Victoria Cross on Captains Congreve and Reed, Lieut. Roberts and Corporal Nurz, for their attempts to save the guns at the battle of Colenso.

The senate committee on military affnirs, on the 1st, reported adversely upon the bill authorizing the removal of the charge of desertion from all solthers of the civil war who failed to secure an honorable discharge.

It will be impossible for the publishers of the Topeka (kas.) Capital to meet the demands for extra copies of its edition next month, when Rev. Mr. Sheldon, author of "In His Steps," is to run it as a Christian newspaper.

The news of the attempted assassingtion of Mr. Goebel, in Kentucky, was received at the national capital with deep regret. The president was much distressed at the intelligence, and remarked that it was a great calamity.

The big American ship Shenandoni, has been chartered to take, from San Francisco to Sydney, the largest cargo ever sent to Australia from the Pacific coast. She will carry 1,500,000 feet of lumber, and about 3,000 tons of gener-

A delegation of prominent citizens of Atlanta, Ga., and of officers who served in the civil war, including Generais Howard and Gordon, were before the house military committee, on the 31st, in advocacy of the establishment of a national military park in the vicinity of Atlanta.

in the New York assembly, on the 2d, the bill was passed making it a mirdemeanor for any person to solicit from a candidate for any elective office, money or other property as a consideration for a newspaper or other publication supporting any candidate for an elective office.

It has been finally arranged that the foreral services over the remains of the late Maj.-Gen. Henry W. Lawton, U S. V., shall be held in the Church of the Covenant (Presbyterian), in Washfugton, on the 9th, at two o'clock, and that the interment shall be in the national cemetery at Arlington.

In accordance with the policy of releasing all the chartered transports on their return from the Philippines, the quartermaster general, on the 29th, directed an inspection of the City of Pekin, City of Sydney and the Tacoma, with a view of putting them out of commission as government transports

Secretary Hay has received assurcountries which have diplomatic representatives in Washington of the most favorable reception by them of Pres ident McKinley's suggesstion that the corgress of pan-American nations be reconvened, this time preferably at the City of Mexico.

William Goebel, democratic contestant for the office of governor of Kentucky before a contesting board at Figurationt, was shot from a third-story window, and fatally wounded, on the 30th, by an unknown assassin. While lying at the point of death, the board met at night, and by a strict party vote declared him entitled to the office.

A dispatch from Spearman's camp Natal, dated the 30th, said: "There is a) optimistic feeling in all ranks. The troops are confident of ultimate suc-Great enthusiasm was aroused by the queen's message and Gen. Builer's speech expressing admiration for Gen. Warren's and Gen. Clery's divisions and hoping they would reach Ladysmith in a week.'

T. I. Edelen, of Frankfort, Ky., one of Gov. Taylor's attorneys, appeared at the Capital hotel, on the 1st, to hold a conference with Judge Pryor, Lewis McOuown and Coi, William Scott, the legel advisers of the democracy. He proposed a submission of the claims of died, on the 2d, at her home at Sarather rival governors to the Kentucky court of appeals, with final appeal to the supreme court of the United States. The democratic counsel readily agreed to the former, but declined the latter proposition, and the conference proved unproductive of results.

The contending factions at Frank-fort, Ky., made history rapidly on the declared the commonwealth in a state of insurrection and by military force prevented the meeting of the legislature, which he commanded to reassemble at London, Laurel county, on February 6. The democrats pre pared and signed a statement stating that the contest boards had declared Goebel and Beckham legally elected. and Chief Justice Hazlerigg adminisupon the former issued a proclamation miling upon the state guards to disther persons to cease to obstruct the tion of public business.

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## NEWS IN BRIEF.

Compiled from Various Sources.

FIFTY-SIXTH CONGRESS.

In the senate, on the 19th, Mr. Mason order. III.) arraigned the British vice-consul as New Orleans because, in an interview, the vice-consul has assailed him for the position he had taken in behalf of the Transval republic. Mr. Hoar frep. Mass.) deprecated any attack upon Great British or the English people. Mr. Himman, (dem., S. C.) spoke on the Philippines question, advocating soft-sovernment under American protection. In the house the hill for the reorganization and improvement of the weather bureau, with pensions for disabled employes, was sidetracked on a test vote of 5, to 53. The Sulzer resolution to investigate Secretary Gage, was sent to the ways and means committee.

In the senate, on the 19th, Mr. Bacon Geen, Ga.) occupied more than these hours of the season in a speech upon the Philippines question, maintaining that the United States owen as much to the Fitpino, as it does to the Cubians, to whom by resolution of congress, self-government had been promised. The housewis in season a little over an hour, and only business of mihor importance was tamp-cited.

In the senate, on the flat during a lebste on the Philippinas question, Senator Pettigrew, in a speech, discredited the positive statement of Admiral Dewey, giving credence to that of Agunaldo. For this he was scattingly denounced by Senators Hawley, Spooper, Sewall and Chillinger, the former designating Mr. Patingrew's acuton as treason, and great excitement in chamber and salieties. The fire acids bill was taken up and discretise in the house the Indian appropriation bill being under consideration, a witerasted of discussion was leadinged in. A rew bills of minor importance were served and consideration as vice of discussion was leadinged in. A rew bills of minor importance were

few bills of minor importance were present.

It the senate, on the lst, nearly the entire morning hour was occupied by Mr. Allen (pop. Neb.) in the discussion of the report of Secretary Gage concerning hitransactions with the National City Black of New York. The financial bill was further considered, and Daniel M. Ramedell (Ind.) and Chas. G. Bennett (N. Y.) were sworn in as zerceant-at-arms and secretary of the senate respectively. .... In the house, the Indian appropriation bill being under consideration, Representative Joseph Sibley, of Pennsylvania a former prominent champion of free silver, assailed his democratic collegues for their opposition to expansion, and formally recanted his free silver legister for their opposition to expansion, and formally recanted his free silver legister for their opposition to expansion, and formally recanted his free silver legister for their opposition to expansion, and formally recanted his free silver legister for the debate was talinteresting. interesting.

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In the senate, on the 2d, Senator Pettligrew (S. D.) attempted to discuss the Philippines question, but was taken off the floor by a point of order. He offered another resolution on the subject. Senator Allen concluded his speech in arrangement of Secretary Gage because of his transactions with the Nathonal City Bank of New York, and offered a resolution providing for an investigation, which went over. In the house the Indian appropriation bill occupied most of the session, little progress being made. An evening session was held for the consideration being present no business was done.

## PERSONAL AND GENERAL.

Mrs. Samuel Thurman, aged 60, and her daughter, aged 17, were asphyxiated by natural gas at Sheridan, Ind., on the 1st. When found the mother and daughter were dead and Mr. Thurman was lying on the floor with, the gas key in his hand, unconscious.

Fire which broke out, on the 1st, in leorge W. Stout's wholesale greecry at Indianapelis, Ind., spread to Brinkmey, Kunn & Co., wholesale grocery stores, thence to Hendricks-Vance & Co., wholesale boots and shoes, and the A. Kiefer Drug Co., causing a total loss estimated at \$350,000,

the 1st, witnessed the unusual specia-cle of the admission of a lady and her daughter to that bar upon motion of another daughter. The ladies admitted were Mrs. Kate P. Pier and Miss der ir the circuit court at West Plains, lady moving their admission was Miss about fourteen months ago on a public Kate H. Pier, of the same city.

At the uge of 105 years, Sadie Evans, the gypsy queen, is dead at Elizabeth, N. J., and the band which has been encamped near that city for eight months, is a camp of mourning. The dead queen was very rich.

Rene Simon has brought suit at Nashville, Tenn., for \$50,000 damages against Moses, Joseph, Louis and Fisher Simon and Max Isages. She charges that by threats and violence they frightened and forced her husband of a few days, Jacob Simons, to leave her, and that they prevented his returning.

The democratic members of the Kertucky legislature met in secret caucus at the Capital hotel, in Frankfort, on the 2d, and again elected Wru. Goebel as governor. This action was first taken by the houses in separate sessions, and immediately after in

According to R. G. Dun & Co. che fallures for the week ended on the 2d were 232 in the United States, against 274 last year, and 34 in Canada against 25 last year.

Correo Espanol, the organ of the Spanish colony in the City of Mexico thinks the European powers should intervene in the Kentucky conflict, which takes on the aspect of civil war. The Kentucky situation has been attracting more attention in Mexico, or late that the South African war.

Miss Annie Wittemeyer, who became fan ous as an army nurse during the civil war, and is known throughout the country as an author and lecturer. in Kentucky, 72 years ago.

George N. Wiswell, of Milwanker has been appointed sergeant-at-arms of the Republican national convention to be held in Philadelphia next June Mr. Wiswell received a letter, on the 2d, from J. H. Manley, chairman of the sub-committee having the matter in charge, notifying him of his appoint-

Mrs. Brown-Potter after regiting "The Absent-Minded Beggar" in aid of the yeomanry, at Bath, England, on the 1st, sold at auction the tamborine in which she made collections, a kiss to go with it to the highest bidder. Dhunjidhoy Bomaniji, a Persian mer chant, was the purchaser, at £20.

Hope for a peaceable and bloodless solution of the fight for the possession of the Kentucky state government had been almost abandoned on the night of the 2d. It looked as if refused a committee of his supportcivil war were inevitable. Every effort ers, but without comments, says he is had gone disconsolately from her gate of Hebron were never tired of telling to compromise on an amicable basis a loyal republican and submits the during even the last five years, cha- of how "awfully good" he had always

Gov. Stanley of Ransas declares that the state reform school must be reformed or abandoned, for the reason that it has been, in the last few years, a breeding place for crime, a kinder-garten for the penitentiary. The governor has ordered a change in the ansgement and promises to make of it what the state really intended it should be an industrial institute.

Lord Loberts, the commander-inchief of the British forces in South Africa, has embled for 90,000 additional men, which, it is added, the government has promised to give him, sending 50,000 militin and volunteers und 40,000 millita reserves.

Gov. Taylor of Kentucky has perenally offered a reward of \$500 for the arrest and conviction of the man the shot ticebel. Gov. Taylor says the athorities of Franklin county, in which the crime was committed, have nct requested him toofficially offera reward, and he therefore offers \$500 as on individual.

The condition of William Goebel, on the night of the 2d, was considered better than at any time since be was shot. The iron will and determination of the wounded man that he will not die by an assassin's bullet is, however, still considered the main factor in sustaining him.

The president and his cabinet concur in the opinion that the legislature of the state of Kentucky, or a majority thereof, is the sole judge of which of two contestants is entitled to the gubernatorial office, and that there is no present ground for federal interfercuce.

LATE NEWS ITEMS.

## OTHERWISE UNNOTICED.

Two men were killed by an explosion at the gus works in Aberdeen,

The American Association of Base ball clubs was finally organized, Friday, at Philadelphia.

At Walnut Ridge, Ark., Lizzie Hermar, aged 31, was burned to death by her clothing eatching fire.

Henderson Pierson was hanged at Chicksville, Tex., for the murder of his wife and mother-inlaw. A fire in the Livingston public school

in Rose street, Trenton, N. J., caused a

panic among its 300 children. The celebrated Paken murder case, which has been the sensation of the village of Opolis, Mo., for nearly a

Hubbard Savory, a convicted murderer, sought to cheat justice in the county jail at Falls City, Neb., Friday, by attempting suicide by hanging. Aloys Casper, who has been annoy

ing the St. Louis fire department for some time by sending in false alarms by telephone, was arrested Friday, The \$6,000 residence of William Har-

ness, at Kokomo, Ind., was burned, Friday, while the family was absent at the bedside of a dying son; no insur-The racing stables at Roby, Ind., were burned Friday, entailing a loss of

\$45,000, including three valuable racing herses belonging to the Thomas Costello stable. At a meeting of the Harrisburg (III.) board of education it was decided to

reopen the public schools of the city Monday, the epidemic of smallpox having subsided. A witness in the case of Senator Clark of Montana, stated that he had been offered \$5,000 to testify against

Clar': by one of the attorneys for the

prosecution. The archbishop of Sweden, Most The United States supreme court, on Rev. Auton Sundberg, who was bedicitis, is dead at Stockholm. He was born in 1818.

V. L. Penland was acquitted of murscuare in that city

Burglars entered the Bank of Equality, Ill., Friday morning, and wrecked the safe with dynamite. The burglars were seared away without securing anything of value,

Gus Norton, a sporting man from Chicago, was shot and killed Friday afternoon, in the buffet of the Arlansas club, at Hot Springs, by "Kid" Richards, of Corsicana, Tex.

Grieving over the loss of his wife, who died Wednesday, Edward Matthews; of New York city, Friday evening, was stricken with heart failure and fell dead beside her coffin.

All parochial schools of St. Louis were closed Friday in respect to Sister Stanislaus, who, with Mary Foley, a ten-year-old pupil, was suffocated in St. Lawrence O'Toole's school fire.

Gov. Otero of New Mexico has re cived word that the body of Maj. Maxmilliano Luna, who was drowned in the Agno in the Philippines, November 19, has been recovered by natives.

J. L. Sutton, sheriff of Whitley county Ky., who was arrested at Louisville on suspicion of being connected with the shooting of Goebel, is now charged with firing the shot that laid Goebel

At a meeting of St. Louisans interested in the Springfield (Mo.) confederate monument movement, it was decided to make a vigorous canvass of the state to secure the money necessary to complete the fund.

## WITHDRAWS FROM THE RACE. D. M. Burus Retires From the United States Senutorial Contest in California.

San Francisco, Feb. 3.-The Examner prints a statement over the signature of D. M. Burns, in which he office of United States senator. This

Bard, the republican caucus nominee. he reviews the incidents of the senaterial contest and the proceedings of the caucuses held Friday, stating that the action of the meeting of his opperents which harmonized on Bard, virtually controlled the action of the fuil caucus, and abridged the right of matter to the party for consideration | grined and rebellious because Miss Het- been to his mother, who had been a lem Life.



ACK'S grandpaps to grandmamma Once sent a piece of folly-Twastong ago, whe he was "Jack."
And she, of course
was "Dolly."
Saint Valentine inspired the rhyme He put within the

And even helped him choose the seal,
Two hearts bound with a fetter.
"The rose is red, the violet's blue.
Sugar is sweet, and so are you."

And Jack's papa sent to mamma,
When he was just eleven.
The same rhyme for a valentine.
She being aged seven.
The envelope was tinted pink,
And up within one corner.
With bow and arrows, wings and all,
Sat Cupid, little scorner.
"The rose is red, the violet's blue.
Super is aweet, and so are you."

Sugar is sweet, and so are you And Master Jack shot out last night As swift as any rocket, But not before I caught a glimpse Of something in his pocket. It was a letter—bless the boy!—

And I knew in a minute. The next day was Saint Valentine's, And so, just what was in it. "The rose is red, the violet's blue, Sugar is sweet, and so are you." -Eleanor A. Hunter, in Golden Days.

SPINSTER'S

and cinders lead- tine. ing from the gate



"It'd be serving him right if I set a to Miss Dryden's front door. Miss Het- light in my window to lure him on, ty had seen him come in at the gate and then dash a dipper of cold water and she had opened the door before he over him when he came to the door." she said, with unwonted severity.



me, haven't you?" Joey's smile developed into an actual

"No'm, it ain't no letter. It's something better than a letter.' He had been tugging away at his ceefer with his mittened hands as he

grin, as he said:

spoke, and he now brought out a large, square, elaborately embossed envelope, addressed in an apparently disguised hand to Miss Hetty Dryden.

"There!" said Joey, triumphantly, as he held out the envelope; "who do you reckon sent it?"

"Some one with little to No," said Miss Hetty, rather severely. She was far from being acrid or severe in her speech, but she felt rather unnoyed as she looked at the missive in her hand. Some one, she thought, was taking liberties with her, or, perhaps, holding her up to ridicale, and, kind and gentle as she was, she had spirit enough to resent either offense.

"Why don't you open it?" asked Joey.
"Oh, I will presently," she said. She got Joey a seed cake and he went on his way, disappointed and a little rebellious because Miss Hetty had not opened the envelope containing the val-

entine in his presence. Hetty sat down by her work table and took a pair of small, shining scissors from her workbasket. The frown had come back to her face, which still bad a youthful look, although she would be 39 her next birthday. There were but few strands of gray in the shining brown hair lying in natural waves over her white temples. She had not yet "come to glasses," and the little excitement of receiving the valentine had filled her brown eyes with a sparkle

and brightness and brought a flush to her cheeks that made Miss Hetty formally withdraws his name from a very pretty woman at that moment consideration as a candidate for the Indeed there were those in the village who declared that Hetty Dryden was insures the election of Thomas B. a "mighty good-lookin' woman" at any time. It was her choice that she was After thanking the members of the a spinster, living alone in her little legislature who have supported him white and green house at the end of the long village street. Had she been given to such vulgar boasting she could have told her friends that she had had "plenty of chances." Indeed, it would have taken all of the fingers and even the thumb of her plump right hand for Hetty Dryden to have "countindividual members to vote as they ed up" the offers she had had right pleased. He states that a hearing was there in Hebron during the past 20 years More than one elderly widower

The last rejected suitor had been Hiram Dyer, a widower of but eight months and the possessor of eight "awbeen largely instrumental in worrying pily with her.

the end of the envelope containing the was a lonely and unsatisfactory life for valentine. "He said I'd hear from him a man of Jared's home-loving and again. If I felt sure it came from him, strongly domestic instincts to lead. I'd send it back. I don't want him nor his valentine, either."

The valentine that Miss Hetty drew fourth time. from the envelope was not made of lonesome since his mother died. He's paper lace and tinsel and embossed a good man, Jared is. Any man who doves and flowers. It was instead a will be as good as he was to that fretful, squarly-folded sheet of blue lined note trying old mother of his for 25 years paper, on which was written in an eviden my disguised hand:

is a mighty good man. I was there a lot during the old lady's last illness and

"This night at eight.
For to know his fate.
Your valentine will wait
At your front gate.
If from your east window
A light doth shine. A light doth shine,
He will enter in
To claim his valentine.
If all is dark
He will go away,
Leaving forever unsaid
What he wants to say.
O, be not cruel nor unkind.
But let a light whine
For your valentine." For your valentine

The flush in Hetty Dryden's cheeks her face. deepened as she let the bit of paper fall to her lap. "Such nonsense! I'd probably never

to really set a light in my east win- light in the window. dow. But I'm not going to. Seems to me I've seen writing like that be-

She held the sheet of paper out and twisted a little on one side,

man in his right mind would do anyhe meant it. I just wonder who did write that?"

When a woman's curiosity is fully aroused, nothing but the facts in the ease will satisfy her, and Miss Hetty FITLE Joey Joyce was annoyed to find herself growing came hurrying up more and more curious regarding the the path of gravel identity of the sender of the valen-

Well, my faithful little mail car- just ought to-now that writing does



"I'VE SEEN THAT WRITING BEFORE."

rier," she said. "you have a letter for | look kind o' familiar, even if it is wrote back-handed with a view to conceal-She had slipped the sheet of paper

into a drawer of her work-table now she took it out and looked at it again, "I've seen that writing before," she

said positively. "Now I'm just going to set here an' look at it until I've studted it out where I've seen it." She put aside her sewing and sat very still gazing at the sheet of paper spread out in her lap. Having once

formed a resolution. Hetty Dryden clung to it tenaciously, even though it was of trifling importance. For fully ten minutes she sat looking at the writing in different lights. Then a suggestion of a smile came into her face. and her eyes twinkled merrily. laid the letter on her table and walked across the exquisitely neat little room to an old-fashioned mahogany bookcase. Opening the glass door of the book-case, Miss Hetty stepped upon a hassock and took down a small volume of Byron's poems bound in green and gold. Opening the book, she read on the yellow-tinted fly-leaf:

"To Miss Hetty Dryden, with many good wishes for a merry Christmas and happy New Year, from her friend and well wisher, Jared H. Lawson," The writing was eight years old, and

half that time, but the moment her eyes rested on it she said with convic-"It is the same," Taking the book over to her work table and sitting down again, she laid

Hetty had not looked at it for at least

the sheet of note paper down by the fly leaf on which the inscription was written. "Yes, sir; Jared Lawson," she said, "you wrote them both. The capital letters are just alike in both of them, although you have tried to disguise your writing in your precious jingling poetry. I've found you out, you great

goose, you!" But there was a smile on her face and a kindly light in her eyes as she

spoke the unflattering words. Jared Lawson was proprietor of the only news or periodical stand in the town. He was a short, slightly portly man, rather baid, with a smooth, plump and kindly face. His blue eyes betokened honesty and sincerity, and he had almost womanly gentleness of spirit and manner. His 45 years had been full of deeds of kindness and the old ladies

ty firmly, but kindly, declined to feeble, fretful, exacting and complaining old body for years before her death.

It was held to be true that Jared had not married because he "couldn't leave mother," and because he very ful" children who had undoubtedly knew that no woman could live hap-

and wearving their poor mother into The old lady had now been dead six months and Jaced was living alone in her grave.

"Mebbe this is from Hiram Dyer," the four rooms his mother and he had

"Mebbe this is from Hiram Dyer," Hetty Dryden said, as she snipped off for years occupied above his store. It

"Poor Jared!" said Miss Hetty, as she read the jingling rhyme for the "He must be dreadful it was wonderful how gentle and patient he was. And so he wants me for his valentine, does he? He certainly would be more comfortable here than in those four little rooms he's been batching in over his store, And Iwell, I'll own up that I feel kind o' lonely myself sometimes, and I-Ialways liked Jared."

She sat for a long time with her hands crossed in her lap and a sweetly serious, almost wistful expression on

At five minutes before eight a short, rather stout man was standing at Miss Hetty's gate looking toward the winhear the end of it if I was goose enough | dow in her east room. There was no

"I'm an old fool to think a woman like her would set a light in her window for any man, as a hint for him to come in and propose to her," said the ooked at it quizzically, with her head | man to himself. "I wish I'd signed my name to my fool rhyme, or that I had "It doesn't seem possible that any the courage to go in. If there isn't a light in that window by eight o'clock thing so silly as to make up a jingle like I'll go in and own up that I sent her that and send it to a woman, even if that valentine. A man that hasn't the I'll go in and own up that I sent her courage to ask a woman to marry him don't deserve her and-glory halleloo-

A bright ray of light came streaming across the snow from the window of the east room. Jared Lawson tugged at the gate, which did not open readily, and finally he climbed over the low fence and ran toward the door calling out like a happy child. "Hetty! Hetty! O. Hetty!"

The door opened before he reached and Hetty stood there in the light in cherry colored gown and snowy white apron, a smile on her face and her eyes shining. Jared's voice trembled and there was

suggestion of fear in it as he said: "O, Hetty, it is I-Jared Lawson."
"I know it, Jared," said Hetty, laugh-

"And you put that light in the winlow for me, Hetty?" "For you, Jared." "O. Hetty! God bless you, my-my

dear!" He reached out his hand to clasp her own and to hold it to his lips. Then they went into the house together with the light of new-born love radiating from their hearts and faces,-Morris Wade, in Detroit Free Press.

An Old Superstition.

In a series of essays published in 1745-6, cailed the Connoisseur, a young woman writes: "Last Friday Valentine's day, and the night before I took five bay leaves, pinned four of them to the four corners of my pillow, and the fifth to the center; then, if I dreamt of my sweetheart, Betty said we should be married before the year was out. But to make it more sure, I boiled egg hard, took out the yolk, filled it with salt, and when I went to bed ate it, shell and all, without speak- a woman has some feet ing or drinking after it. We also wrote our lovers' names and rolled them up in clay, and put them in water; and be nervous and wrete the first that rose up was to be our valentine. Would you think it? Mr. Blosom was my man! I lay a-bed and shut my eyes all the morning, for I would not have seen another man before him for all the world." Shakespeare, Chaucer and the poet Lydgate, who died in 1440, all mention St. Valentine's day.

VICTIM OF THE VALENTINE



He sent his love a valentine, And he sent one to the cook; Somehow, he mixed the envelopes-You can see it in his look.

His love received the comic thing

The cook was to have had:
A dream of bliss is ended, but
The cook is not so sad.
--Chicago Daily News. Unparalleled Economy. "I do think," said Mrs. Dukane, "that diss Oakland carries her economical

"In what particular?" asked Mrs. Gaswell. "She always buys her valentines on the 15th of February, when the dealers will sell them for almost nothing, rathr than put them away, and then she keeps them and sends them the following year."-Pittsburgh Chronicle-Tele-

deas to an unwarranted extreme."

The Sentiment Pleased Him. Sale-man (briskly)-Valentines? Yes,

ir. How do you like this one? Algernon De Wiggs-That's very pretty. I like the sentiment, too-Earth has no treasure too costly for thee." How much is it?

Salesman-Fifty cents. Algernon De Wiggs-O, that's tou much. Show me one for a dime .- Har

Our Increased Trade with th England can no longer compete with the shipment of many products to do Our trade with the Chinese has increasing the shipment of the chinese has increasing the contract of the country. The best many that is the country, has for fit years acknowledge appeared to cure constipation, indignated the country of the country of

Do Not Burn the Candle

At Both Ends Don't think you can go on dra-witality from the blood for ne stomach, brain and muscles, we loing something to replace it. digestive strength by enriching witaliaing the blood. Thus it overworked and tired people.

Hood's Sarsapari Never Disappoint

Business Acomen. Old Hardeush-I've decided to taken Sharpleigh into business with me at as he and my daughter get back from

as he and my daughter get back from honeymoon.

Bullion Bonds—But I thought you a good in the fellow?

"I didn't at first, but I've change mind. I told him he couldn't have deughter till he had at least £1,000 a bank. He got me to put it in writing then went out and borrowed the fix the strength of becoming my son-Such business ability as that musta't lowed to go to waste."—Tit-Bits.

President Krueger Ahead.

Pretoria, Transvaal, South Ale Dec. 7, 180 Messrs. Swanson Rheumatic Cure pany, Chicago, Ill., U. S. A.: Gentle, Your last shipment and communication ceived. I am very much pleased wat information that you have so kindly Piease find enclosed bank draft a amount of £412 10s, for which says twenty-five (25) gross of Swansas, DROPS. Ship same as before in that there may be no delay, as this rine will be greatly needed before it is us. The last shipment is almost diges as the medical department of our anglarge quantities. This order is entire use in the army.

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